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Confidence in Kansas Public Education Task Force announces Challenge Award recipients

TOPEKA — The Confidence in Kansas Public Education Task Force has named 99 schools in 34 Kansas public school districts as recipients of the 2015 Challenge Awards.

The awards recognize Kansas schools that are making a notable difference in student achievement despite facing significant challenges in their school population. Since its inception in 2002, nearly 1,400 awards have been presented to schools across the state.

Certificates of Merit will be presented to schools by Kansas State Board of Education members.

The Challenge Award recognizes schools for outstanding achievement and uncommon accomplishments based on Kansas Assessment results, the sample size and the socio-economic status of those taking the test.

The Confidence in Public Education Task Force is a nonprofit corporation whose primary purpose is to strengthen confidence in Kansas public education and to increase awareness of the positive aspects of public education in the state. The Task Force was created in 1981.

Members of the Task Force include American Association of University Women; Kansas PTA; Kansas Association of School Boards; Kansas National Education Association; Kansas School Public Relations Association; Kansas State Board of Education; Kansas State High School Activities Association; Kansas Partners in Education; League of Women Voters – Kansas; and United School Administrators of Kansas.

For more information about the Challenge Awards program or Confidence in Kansas Public Education Task Force, call Charles Volland at (785) 307-4072.

A list of schools receiving a 2015 Challenge Award is attached. The list includes the subject area and grade level for which the school is being recognized.

2015 Challenge Award Recipients

Third-grade math

Crestview Elementary School, USD 512 Shawnee Mission
Dodge Literacy Magnet School, USD 259 Wichita
John Fiske Elementary School, USD 500 Kansas City
Logan Avenue Elementary School, USD 253 Emporia
Lyons Central Elementary School, USD 405 Lyons
Miller Elementary School, USD 443 Dodge City
Oakdale Elementary School, USD 305 Salina
Roosevelt Elementary School, USD 470 Arkansas City
West Bourbon Elementary School, USD 235 Uniontown

Fourth-grade math

Chanute Elementary School, USD 413 Chanute
Frances Willard Elementary School, USD 470 Arkansas City
Hillcrest Elementary School, USD 497 Lawrence
Lyons Central Elementary School, USD 405 Lyons
Payne Elementary School, USD 259 Wichita
Phillipsburg Elementary School, USD 325 Phillipsburg
Rising Star Elementary School, USD 512 Shawnee Mission
Riverside Elementary School, USD 253 Emporia
White Church Elementary School, USD 500 Kansas City

Fifth-grade math

Avondale West Elementary School, USD 501 Topeka
Chanute Elementary School, USD 413 Chanute
Graber Elementary School, USD 308 Hutchinson
Miller Elementary School, USD 443 Dodge City
Oaklawn Elementary School, USD 260 Derby
Osage City Elementary School, USD 420 Osage City
Payne Elementary School, USD 259 Wichita
Ridgeview Elementary School, USD 233 Olathe
William A. White Elementary School, USD 500 Kansas City

Sixth-grade math

Graber Elementary School, USD 308 Hutchinson
Horace Mann Dual Language Magnet, USD 259 Wichita
Nieman Elementary School, USD 512 Shawnee Mission
Parsons Middle School, USD 503 Parsons

Seventh-grade math

Argentine Middle School, USD 500 Kansas City
Everest Middle School, USD 430 South Brown County
Galesburg Middle School, USD 101 Erie-Galesburg
Horace Mann Dual Language Magnet, USD 259 Wichita
Hutchinson Middle School, USD 308 Hutchinson
Lakin Middle School, USD 215 Lakin

Eighth-grade math

Central Jr.-Sr. High School, USD 462 Central
Dodge City Middle School, USD 443 Dodge City
Herington Middle School, USD 487 Herington
Horace Mann Dual Language Magnet, USD 259 Wichita
Landon Middle School, USD 501 Topeka
Parsons Middle School, USD 503 Parsons
Sumner Academy of Arts and Science School, USD 500 Kansas City

11th-grade math

Osawatomie High School, USD 367 Osawatomie
Southwestern Heights Jr./Sr. High School, USD 483 Kismet-Plains
Sumner Academy of Arts and Science School, USD 500 Kansas City
Wichita East High School, USD 259 Wichita

Third-grade reading

Crestview Elementary School, USD 512 Shawnee Mission
Dodge Literacy Magnet School, USD 259 Wichita
Emerson Elementary School, USD 500 Kansas City
Hutchinson Magnet School at Allen, USD 308 Hutchinson
Miller Elementary School, USD 443 Dodge City
Robinson Elementary School, USD 402 Augusta
Washington Elementary School, USD 475 Geary County
West Bourbon Elementary School, USD 235 Uniontown

Fourth-grade reading

Apache Elementary School, USD 512 Shawnee Mission
Chanute Elementary School, USD 413 Chanute
Frances Willard Elementary School, USD 470 Arkansas City
Logan Avenue Elementary School, USD 253 Emporia
Mark Twain Elementary School, USD 500 Kansas City
Marysville Elementary School, USD 364 Marysville
Northwest Elementary School, USD 443 Dodge City
Payne Elementary School, USD 259 Wichita
Ridgeview Elementary School, USD 233 Olathe
Roosevelt Elementary School, USD 418 McPherson

Fifth-grade reading

Chanute Elementary School, USD 413 Chanute
Crestview Elementary School, USD 512 Shawnee Mission
Dodge City Literacy Magnet School, USD 259 Wichita
Graber Elementary School, USD 308 Hutchinson
Miller Elementary School, USD 443 Dodge City
Oaklawn Elementary School, USD 260 Derby
Ridgeview Elementary School, USD 233 Olathe
W A White Elementary School, USD 253 Emporia
Westwood Elementary School, USD 475 Geary County
White Church Elementary School, USD 500 Kansas City

Sixth-grade reading

Atchison Middle School, USD 409 Atchison
Graber Elementary School, USD 308 Hutchinson
Horace Mann Dual Language Magnet, USD 259 Wichita
Parsons Middle School, USD 503 Parsons
Satanta Jr.-Sr. High School, USD 507 Satanta
Shawano Elementary School, USD 512 Shawnee Mission

Seventh-grade reading

Americus Elementary/NLC Junior High School, USD 251 North Lyon County
Argentine Middle School, USD 500 Kansas City
Horace Mann Dual Language Magnet, USD 259 Wichita
Hutchinson Middle School, USD 308 Hutchinson
Liberal West Middle School, USD 480 Liberal
Northeast Elementary School, USD 246 Northeast

Eighth-grade reading

Emporia Middle School, USD 253 Emporia
Horace Mann Dual Language Magnet, USD 259 Wichita
Liberal West Middle School, USD 480 Liberal
Lyons Middle School, USD 405 Lyons
Parsons Middle School, USD 503 Parsons
Sumner Academy of Arts and Science, USD 500 Kansas City

11th-grade reading

Horton High School, USD 430 South Brown County
Osawatomie High School, USD 367 Osawatomie
Salina Central High School, USD 305 Salina
Sumner Academy of Arts and Science, USD 500 Kansas City
Wichita South High School, USD 259 Wichita

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